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SUBJECT: DEPORTATION OF CAMEROONIAN NATIONAL: DIEUDONNE
NGANKU

REF: YAOUNDE 3129

1. BORDER PATROL AUTHORITIES INFORMED DEPTOFF THAT NGANKU HAD TRIED TO ENTER US ILLEGALLY ON TWO OCCASIONS LAST YEAR. THE FIRST TIME, ON APRIL 12, 1976 HE WAS TURNED BACK, BUT HE ATTEMPTED SECOND ENTRY NEXT DAY USING BIRTH CERTIFICATE BORROWED FROM AMERICAN FRIEND. SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED AND SENTENCED TO 90 DAYS IN LAREDO COUNTY JAIL BY US MAGISTRATE. AFTER SERVING SENTENCE, SUBJECT WAS SENT TO PORT ISABEL DETENTION CENTER TO AWAIT OUTCOME OF DEPORTATION PROCEEDINGS. BORDER PATROL CHIEF SAID THAT NGANKU WAS CARRYING NO RPT NO FUNDS WHEN ARRESTED. HE DENIED ALLEGATIONS OF MISTREATMENT.

2. NGANKU HAD GIVEN HIS PERSONAL EFFECTS TO FRIEND MENTIONED ABOVE WHO LATER SENT PASSPORT AND BAGS TO HIM AT PORT ISABEL.

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3. WHILE IN DETENTION, NGANKU WAS REPRESENTED BY LOCAL PUBLIC DEFENDER. HE ALSO IN TOUCH WITH FRENCH CONSULATE

HOUSTON AND CAMEROONIAN EMBASSY THROUGHOUT ENTIRE EPISODE.

4. INS RECORDS SHOW NGANKU DEPORTED NOV. 1, 1976. HE

LEFT US USING HIS RECOVERED PASSPORT. PORT ISABEL HAS
NO DOCUMENTS BELONGING TO NGANKU.

5. COMMENT: HAVE ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT NGANKU'S LAWYER
TO VERIFY ALLEGATIONS, BUT HE HAS BEEN UNAVAILABLE THUS
FAR. CAMEROONIAN EMBASSY COUNSELOR SAID THAT NGANKU MADE
NO SUCH COMPLAINTS WHILE HE WAS INCARCERATED. IN VIEW
OF ABOVE INFORMATION AND FACT THAT NGANKU WAITED UNTIL
NOW TO MAKE ALLEGATION, IT DIFFICULT TO TAKE HIS CHARGES
SERIOUSLY, BUT WILL CONTINUE TRY TO REACH LAWYER FOR ANY
LIGHT HE MAY BE ABLE TO SHED ON MATTER. VANCE

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